that such villages throughout the State be freed from such want by providing some means of constant water-supply.

Withdrawn. (The member said he would represent to the Local Board concerned.)

SUBJECT No. 216.

Drinking water wells.

Messrs. B. Kesavaiengar and Kesavadasaiengar, Belur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Rainfall is becoming more and more scanty and difficulty for drinking water is greatly felt. When the present Dewan was Deputy Commissioner of the Shimoga District, he had caused a number of wells to be sunk in important places, which were all of great benefit to people of that district this year. It is therefore prayed that orders for sinking wells in important places may be passed.

Withdrawn.

SUBJECT No. 217.

Improved Sanitation.

Messrs. B. Kasavaiengar and Kesavadasaiengar, Belur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Sanitary improvements in force in Bangalore and Mysore may be gradually extended to all important places in the State.

Reply of Government.—This is being done as far as funds permit.

SUBJECT No. 218.

Setting apart a portion of Local Fund amount for sanitary improvements of certain villages.

Mr. Linge Gowda, Patel of Nagavala, Mysore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is prayed that a portion of the Local Fund amount be set apart for the sanitary improvement of villages, and that the same may be utilized every year for the benefit of the villages containing more than 50 houses.

Reply of Government.—This is a matter for consideration by the District Board concerned.

SUBJECT No. 219.

Mohatarfa of non-Municipal villages to be used for the sanitation of those villages.

Messrs. Venkatasamaiya and Siddagangappa, Chamrajnagar Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is prayed that the Mohatarfa revenue collected in villages be utilized for improving the sanitation of those villages just as the taxes of Municipal towns are utilized for local purposes, the improvement of sanitation being very helpful in warding off epidemic diseases which carry away a great number of people in the rural parts.

Reply of Government.—Improvement of sanitation is a duty already devolving on the District Board. The Mohatrfa tax cannot be set apart for the purpose.

SUBJECT No. 220.

Empowering Amildars to fine offenders against Village Sanitation Rules.

Messrs. Hoskote Sinappa, Ramanna, and Sammatanahalli Ramaswamaiya, Hoskote Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—As per Village Sanitation Rules if a person does not keep his surroundings clean, he is liable to be criminally prosecuted. As it would delay the punishment of such offenders, the Amildar may be more usefully empowered to fine or punish otherwise on the spot such offenders and the tedious process of prosecution avoided.

Reply of Government.—The general opinion is not in favor of the proposal. Not necessary.